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## NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES 37 C.F.R. § 1.191

Sir:

Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated February 26, 2003, rejecting the following Claims 24-33.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal under 37 CFR § 1.17(b) is enclosed.

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Applicant claims small entity Status and a check for \$160.00 is enclosed.

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A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed.

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